## Roles & Responsibilities

## 1. Policy Guidance and Program Management

(OSTI manages the DOE-wide Technical Information Management Program, wherein the mission is to collect, preserve, and disseminate the information from DOE's R&D programs to advance science, protect national security, and enhance practical applications of R&D findings. This program is a key component of the R&D cycle and involves program and information managers from all DOE Program Offices, Operations Offices, and Laboratories as well as information inputs from 5,000 R&D grantees.)

- Establish DOE-wide policy and practices for the effective management of scientific and technical information (STI).
- Issue technical information management guidance, through DOE procurement officials and Program Offices, to direct procurement/grantee organizations performing R&D.
- Define and maintain information standards and data fields for STI electronic records and full-text documents.
- Conduct assessments/evaluations on the performance of DOE programs and sites in the management of STI.
- Exchange policy and standards information with other federal science agencies in Washington, D.C., to promote consistency across the government.
- Coordinate, promulgate, and implement STI policy and practices in the specialized field of classified information.
- Prepare management responses to recurring and ad hoc Departmental and external inquiries related to technical information management.
- Represent the United States and DOE in two major international exchange agreements.
- Serve as the Operating Agent to the International Energy Agency's Energy Technology Data Exchange.
- Negotiate other international agreements to obtain information of interest to DOE.

What Does this organization do for the department? Is it in *direct or indirect* support of Departmental missions?

# Accountabilities

(Internal and External)

## OSTI reports to:

- HQ/Office of Science
- Associate Director, SC-30
- DOE's Annual Performance Report (R&D information availability (e.g., 2 million research summaries, 70,000 electronic full-text R&D reports, etc.) and use (e.g., 7 million transactions annually) metrics)
- Board of Visitors (independent, external body formed to assess OSTI's performance of core mission/ functions funded by Congress)
- Scientific and Technical Information Coordinating Group (HQ Programs funding R&D plus HQ Procurement and General Counsel established to provide high-level input and feedback to implementation of Technical Information Management Program)

### OSTI provides services or support to:

- DOE researchers, program managers, librarians, public scientific community (quality of support measured by user feedback and product usage statistics)
- All DOE Program Offices (cost-reimbursable projects)
- DOE Chief Financial Officer (R&D Tracking System fulfilling President's OSTP requirements; 10,000 records from 34 DOE sites)
- National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) (preservation of classified information repository)
- Other federal science agencies (for e-government collaborations and other STI policy/procedure development)

OSTI complies with laws and agreements/MOUs involving:

- U.S. Department of State (for international obligations)
- International Energy Agency (for Energy Technology Data Exchange Agreement; 55,000 foreign research summaries obtained annually)
- International Atomic Energy Agency (for International Nuclear Information System Agreement; 25,000 foreign research summaries obtained annually)
- Department of Defense (to fulfill classified information exchange agreement)
- Government Printing Office (to fulfill laws for public availability of agency information)

To whom is this organization accountable? How is accountability assured? External Review

Authorities Delegated		
Туре	From	
<ul> <li>Federal Laws/Regulations:</li> <li>Atomic Energy Act of 1946 (P.L. 79-585) (facilitate the transfer of STI)</li> <li>Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (P.L. 83-703) (provide program for the dissemination of unclassified STI (42 USC 2161(b))</li> <li>Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-438) (disseminate scientific, technical, and practical information) (42 USC 5813, 5817)</li> <li>Department of Energy Organization Act of 1977 (P.L. 95-91) (maintain a central source of information (42 USC 7112, 5916))</li> <li>American Technology Pre-eminence Act of 1991 (P.L. 102-245) (transfer agency STIE to NTIS)</li> <li>Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (P.L. 104-13) (44 USC Sec. 3501)</li> <li>Public Printing and Documents, Title 44 United States Code (44 USC Sec. 3506) (provide public access to agency information through GPO)</li> <li>Management of Government Information, OMB Circular Number A-130.</li> <li>Electronic Freedom of Information Act Amendments of 1996 (P.L. 104-231) (5 USC 552)Federal Information Resources Management Regulation (41 CFR Chap 201).</li> <li>Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), (48 CFR 935.010) (R&amp;D contracts; technical reports)</li> <li>Rights in Data, FAR (52 CFR 227-14).</li> <li>FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RULES (10 CFR 600)</li> <li>Arms Export Control Act (P. L. 94-329) (22 USC 2751 et seq.)</li> </ul>	Congress (Public Law), President (Executive Order), OMB (circular), Secretary of Energy (directive), CFR, DOE Directive, Other agency regulation, International agreements, Memoranda of Agreement/ Understanding with other agencies	

Authorities Delegated

What authorities are vested in the organization that allow these responsibilities to be carried out? Appraisal?

### **TYPES of DELEGATIONS:**

Letter from DOE/HQ (i.e., Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Assistant Secretary, etc.); Federal Law; DOE Directives; Interagency Agreements Include implied Authorities

# Roles & Responsibilities

- 2. Information Collection and Organization (Based on DOE-wide policy and interagency and international agreements, OSTI collects and organizes information emanating from R&D in order to build and maintain a searchable repository not available from any other source.)
  - Establish and maintain a Department-wide mechanism for announcing or submitting to OSTI all useful forms of STI resulting from DOE-funded R&D, including technical reports, conference papers, journal citations, and software.
  - Harvest and organize electronic technical reports and other STI contract deliverables from DOEfunded R&D grants and other procurements awarded annually.
  - Create a fully-searchable electronic summary record of each report in accordance with Dublin Core standards and incorporate into large scale databases.
  - Sort and separate any sensitive unclassified information from non-sensitive (publiclyreleasable) information and apply access restriction codings as needed.
  - Create hyperlinks from searchable bibliographic records to full-text R&D reports.
  - Identify and collect journal literature, conference reports, preprints, and software meeting the definition of STI that are not readily available from another source.
  - Collect and organize classified technical reports.
  - Perform abstracting and indexing services on classified documents and create a complete, computerized searchable bibliographic record.
  - Receive, manage, process, and control international citations received from three major multilateral information exchange agreements.
  - Collect electronic records from 34 DOE and contractor sites to populate DOE's R&D Tracking Database and comply with the President's OSTP requirements.

# Accountabilities (Internal and External)

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- National Technical Information Service (Department of Commerce) (to fulfill compliance with American Technology Pre-eminence Act)
- National Archives and Records Administration (for preservation of DOE's 1.2 million document STI collection)
- Federal, state, city ES&H officials (facility compliance)

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•Export Administration Act of		
1979 (P.L. 96-72)(50 USC 2401).		
Nuclear Non-proliferation Act of 1978 (P.L. 95-		
242).		
Assistance to Foreign Atomic Energy Activities (10)		
CFR 810) (export control of certain technology).		
• Freedom of Information Act of 1974 (P.L. 89-487, as		
amended by Public Law 93-502 (5 U.S.C. 552)		
• U.S. Patent Law (35 USC 205).		
<ul> <li>Identification and Protection of Unclassified</li> </ul>		
Controlled Nuclear Information (10 CFR 1017).		
International agreements:		
• International Nuclear Information System (1969)		
(US representative in multi-national information		
exchange)		
Nuclear Energy Agency Organization for Economic		
Cooperation and Development (software exchange).		
Energy Technology Data Exchange Implementing		
Agreement		
Interagency agreements:		
• Interagency Agreement between the Government		
Printing Office and the U.S. Department of Energy		
(in effect since 1980s; latest document for 10/1/97 to 9/30/02)		
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Memorandum of Understanding between U.S.     Department of Energy and the Department of		
Commerce Regarding Technical Information		
Products and Services (named OSTI as the NTIS		
affiliate for DOE)		

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## Roles & Responsibilities

- 3. Information Preservation and Repository (Once information has been organized into searchable collections. OSTI fulfills DOE's statutory responsibility to preserve its current and legacy information, including both classified and unclassified information.)
  - Provide a secure and accessible electronic and physical repository of DOE's historic and current R&D information, classified and unclassified.
  - Represent OSTI in DOE/NNSA weapons complex information management fora, including defining repository standards, access rules, etc.
  - Coordinate/provide a Department-wide "repository of last resort" function to ensure permanent access to STI that is no longer being maintained by other DOE facilities, such as closeout sites.
- 4. Information Dissemination

(The results of DOE's R&D programs are valuable only if they are widely shared and available to scientists; OSTI's web-based dissemination systems provide the means for accessible R&D findings and include access limitations as appropriate.)

- Maintain dynamic, large, web-based, searchable bibliographic and full-text databases containing DOE and international R&D information.
- Maintain and manage electronic deliverable accountability for DOE R&D projects via the R&D Tracking Database and submit contents to the President's Office of Science and Technology
- Maintain mechanisms for increasing visibility of DOE's science contributions.
- Produce and maintain web-based systems to satisfy international information exchange agreements.
- Exchange information with other federal agencies to provide public versions of web-based products.
- Manage exchange of classified information with DOD and DOE requesters.

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Executive orders:		
<ul> <li>Executive Order 12598, "Classified National</li> </ul>		
Security Information," (4-20-95)		
DOE directives:		
<ul> <li>DOE O 241.1A, Management of Scientific and</li> </ul>		
Technical Information		
• DOE M 471.2-1C, Classified Matter Protection and		
Control Manual, dated 4-17-01.		
• DOE O 471.1A, Identification and Protection of		
Unclassified Controlled Nuclear Information, dated		
6-30-00.		
• DOE M 471.1-1, Identification and Protection of		
Unclassified Controlled Nuclear Information, dated		
6-30-00.		
• DOE M 471.2-1C, Classified Matter Protection		
And Control Manual, dated 4-17-01.		
DOE M 475.1-1A, Identifying Classified		
Information, dated 5-8-98.		
• DOE M 483.1-1, DOE Cooperative Research and		
Developments Agreements manual, dated		
01/12/2001.		
• DOE O 200.1, Information Management Program,		
dated 9-30-96.		
• DOE O 412.1, Work Authorization System, dated		
4-20-99.		
• DOE O 471.2A, Information Security Program,		
dated 3-27-97. [DOE N 251.40, dated 5-3-01,		
extends this directive until 12-31-01.]		
• DOE O 5610.2, Control of Weapon Data, dated 8-		
1-80		
• DOE O 551.1A, Official Foreign Travel, dated 8-		
25-00.		
DOE orders on computer security.		

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- 5. Specialized Information Products (Cost Reimbursable) (As a result of information expertise used in performing a Department-wide information management program, OSTI is frequently asked to provide specialized systems for individual entities' unique needs (e.g., subject-specific databases, alert services, etc.).)
  - Develop and maintain customized information systems, tools, and publications for individual DOE program offices, other agencies, and international organizations.

#### 6. Infrastructure

(OSTI maintains a technical and physical infrastructure to support the core roles defined above.)

- Maintain technology architecture to support large web-based systems, high user traffic, and appropriate cybersecurity measures.
- Provide off-site backup/storage of all data.
- Perform accounting transactions not provided by Oak Ridge Financial Services Center (e.g., cost recovery accounting, pre-payment transactions).
- Formulate OSTI's corporate, OMB, and Presidential budget requests.
- Serve as Contracting Officer's Representative on OSTI support services contracts.
- Procure goods and services under \$100,000; submit larger procurements to ORO.
- Manage a DOE-owned facility, including ES&H and security functions.

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Other:  DOE Acquisition Regulation (DEAR), Part 935.010, STI reporting for R&D contracts  DOE Research and Development Records Retention Schedule N1-434-96-9 – with NARA  Guidelines on Export Control and Nonproliferation - issued by the DOE Director of the Office of Nonproliferation and National Security, July 1999  Guidance on Handling Applied Technology (AT) Information – memorandum to OSTI from the DOE Office of Nuclear Energy Science and Technology, January 2000		

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